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MEMORANDUM FOR: Messrs. Proctor/Walsh (1/457) BL

The DCI accepts this invitation to address a JCS "Defense Strategy Seminar" in June, but needs help on his presentation.

Rather than assigning this to (Colby asks for "an outline"), you might consider having put together something more polished than the usual briefing.

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Honorable William E. Colby, Jr. Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Mr. Colby:

The National War College, under the direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will conduct the 1974 annual Defense Strategy Seminar during the period 17 - 28 June. The Seminar brings together over 260 selected Reserve and National Guard officers who are prominent in their communities and represent a large cross section of civilian professions - primarily business, education and law. The curriculum of the Seminar embraces a wide range of problems facing the United States today, with the objective of developing a greater appreciation of both the national and international aspects of U. S. security in the world arena.

It is my pleasure to extend to you a most cordial invitation to address the members of the Seminar at 10:00 a.m., Monday, 17 June, on the subject "The Current International Environment and Key National Security Issues Confronting the United States." This is the initial topic of the Seminar and is aimed at creating a basic framework for subsequent, more detailed examination of national security affairs.

We shall not be so presumptuous as to suggest specific guidelines for your approach to this subject. The range of your remarks may be as broad or as narrow as you deem appropriate. We would request, however, that you devote the majority of your time to a description of the current international environment and to consideration of the framework in which states seek their objectives. We realize this is an almost impossible task to cover in one lecture, and you may want to discuss only key national security issues or to list such issues for follow up in the question and answer period.

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As you may recall, The National War College has a well-established policy of holding all remarks in presentations such as yours in strictest confidence. This, we believe, permits the speaker to discuss his subject freely and with complete candor. All who attend are cleared for SECRET information.

We ask that you limit your lecture to forty-five minutes in length. It will be followed by a question and answer period of approximately thirty minutes. If you prefer a shorter lecture with more time for questions, this is agreeable. We hope you will be able to remain with us for a luncheon with representatives from the Seminar and faculty.

In the event you desire additional information or assistance, please do not hesitate to call on any of us here at the College. Colonel Donald T. Nelson, Jr., USA, is the Director of the Seminar and may be reached by telephone at 693-8491.

Should you be able to accept this invitation, we shall communicate with you further regarding the administrative arrangements for your visit.

We hope that we shall have the opportunity of welcoming you back to The National War College on 17 June.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M.G. BAYNE

Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy

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